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Fluorescent Labeling of Biomolecules

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I. Quantum yield for compound 5a-c

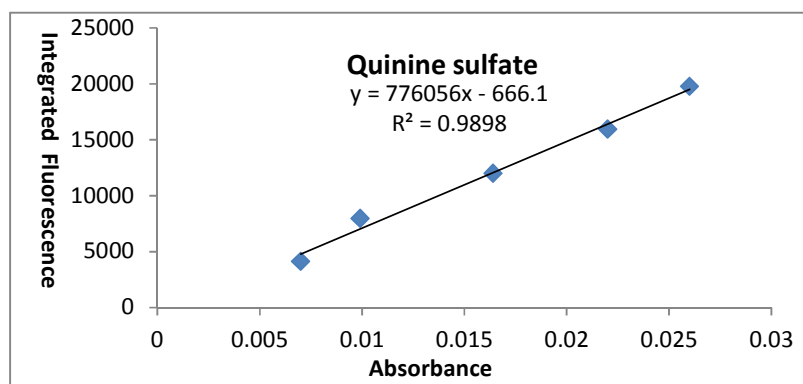


Figure S1. Plot of absorbance against integrated fluorescence intensity for the standard (excitation wavelength = 370 nM)

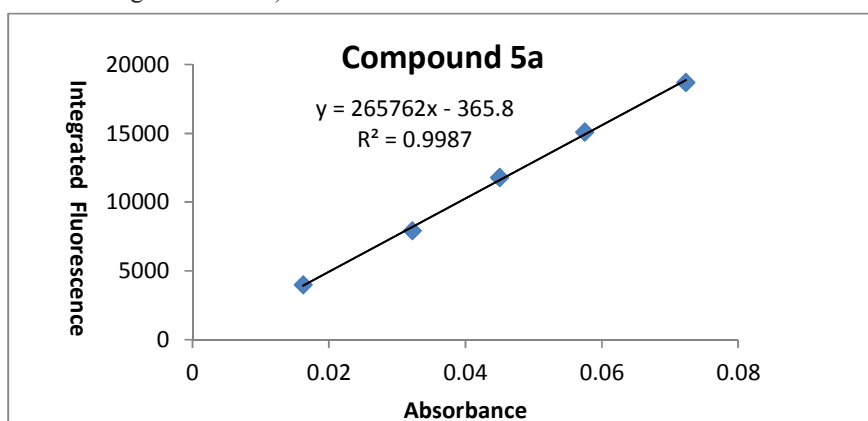


Figure S2. Plot of absorbance against integrated fluorescence intensity for **5a** (excitation wavelength = 370 nM), $\Phi = 0.17 \pm 0.02$

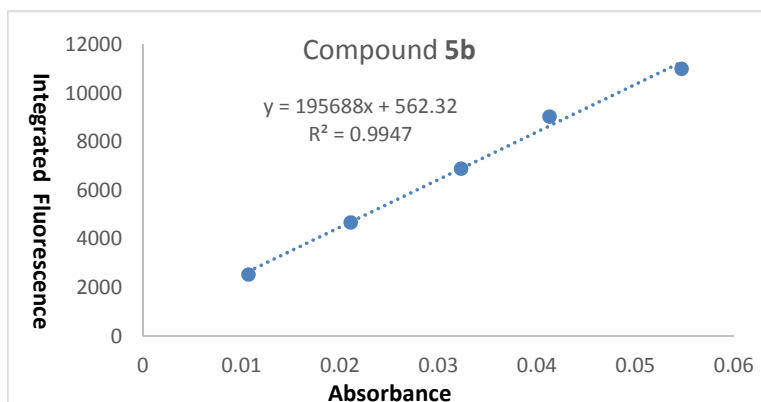


Figure S3. Plot of absorbance against integrated fluorescence intensity for **5b** (excitation wavelength = 370 nM), $\Phi = 0.13 \pm 0.01$

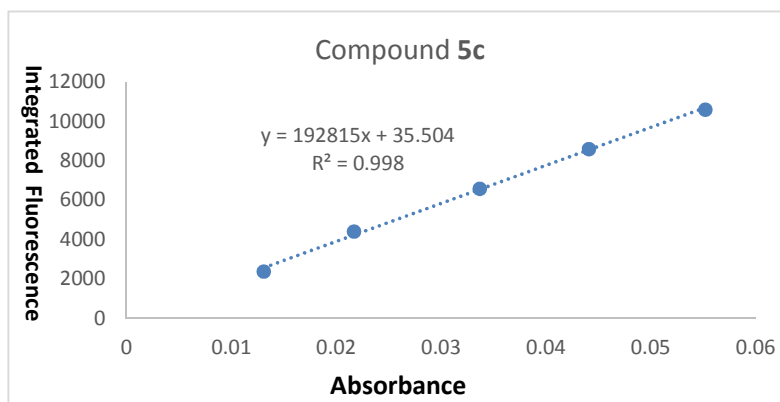


Figure S4. Plot of absorbance against integrated fluorescence intensity for **5c** (excitation wavelength = 368 nm), $\Phi = 0.13 \pm 0.01$

II. The second order reaction rate constants between **3a-c** and **4**

The fluorescent property of the cycloaddition product **5a-c** greatly facilitates the determination of the second order reaction rate constants between **3a-c** and **4** (DMSO/PBS = 10:1, 37 °C, the reaction rate constant for **3c** was determined at room temperature). Briefly, the second order reaction was treated as first order reaction by using an excessive amount of **4** (>10 fold), and the obtained k' was plotted against the concentration of **4** used. The obtained slope is the second order reaction rate constant between **3a-c** and **4** (Figures S6, 8 and 10).

3.1 Determination of the reaction rate constant between **4** and **3a**

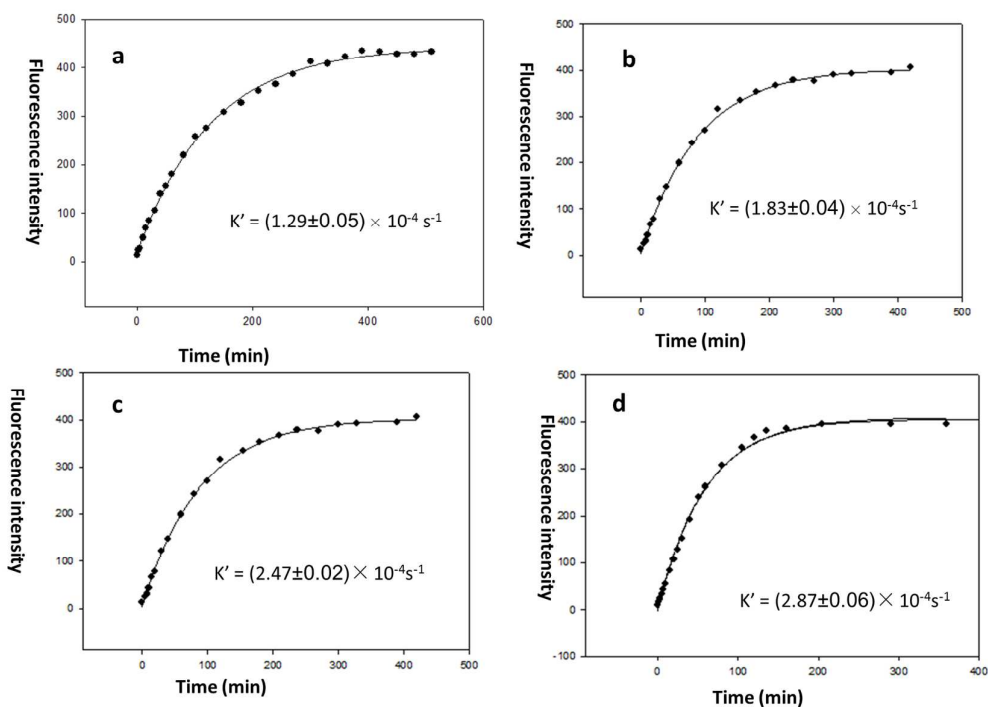


Figure S5, The pseudo first reaction between **4** and **3a**: a) **4** (1.18 mM) + **3a** (80 μ M); b) **4** (1.65 mM) + **3a** (80 μ M); c) **4** (2.12 mM) + **3a** (80 μ M); d) **4** (2.62 mM) + **3a** (80 μ M);

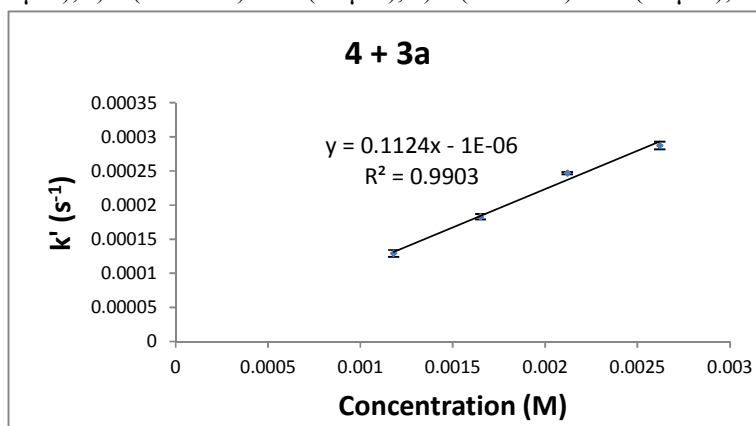


Figure S6, Plot of the obtained k' against the concentration of **4** used. The second order reaction rate constant $k = 0.11 \pm 0.01 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

3.2 Determination of the reaction rate constant between 4 and 3b

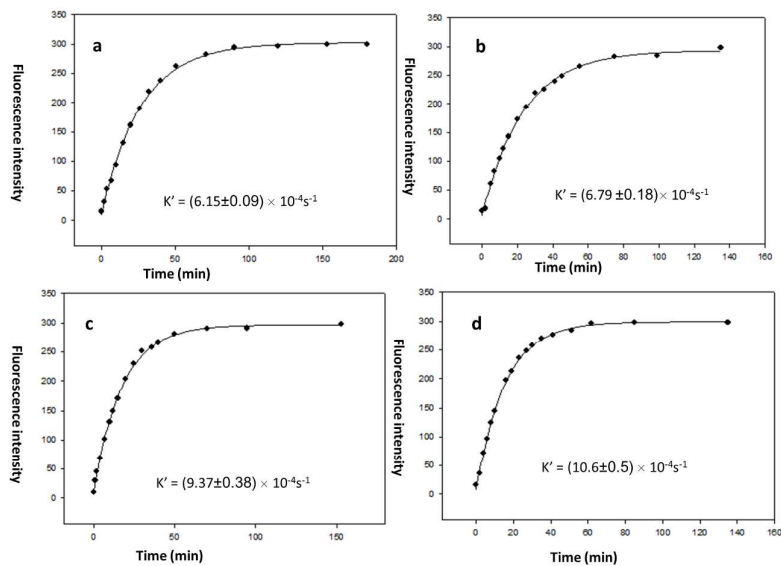


Figure S7, The pseudo first reaction between **4** and **3b**: a) **4** (492 μM) + **13b** (49 μM); b) **4** (614 μM) + **3b** (49 μM); c) **4** (738 μM) + **3b** (49 μM); d) **4** (860 μM) + **3b** (49 μM);

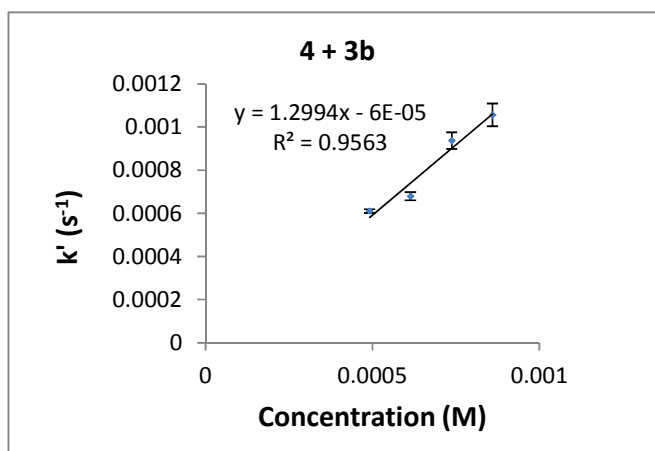


Figure S8, Plot of the obtained k' against the concentration of **4** used. The second order reaction rate constant $k = 1.30 \pm 0.11 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$.

3.3 The determination of the reaction rate constant between **4** and **3c**

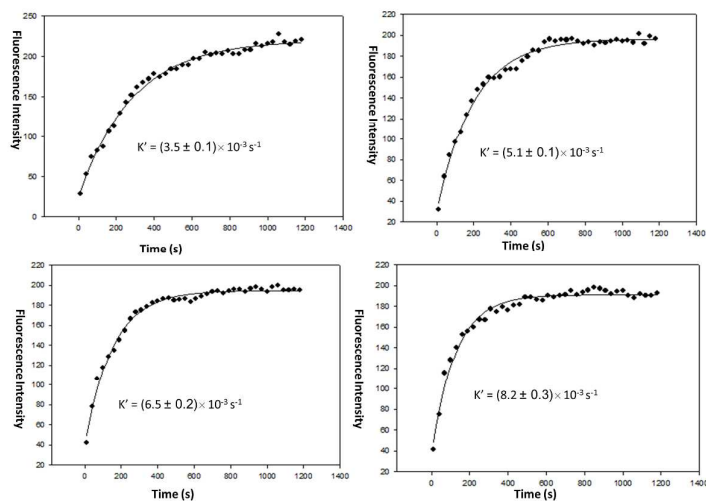


Figure S9, The pseudo first reaction between **4** and **3c**: a) **4** (498 μM) + **3c** (49 μM); b) **4** (610 μM) + **3c** (49 μM); c) **4** (747 μM) + **3c** (49 μM); d) **4** (871 μM) + **3c** (49 μM);

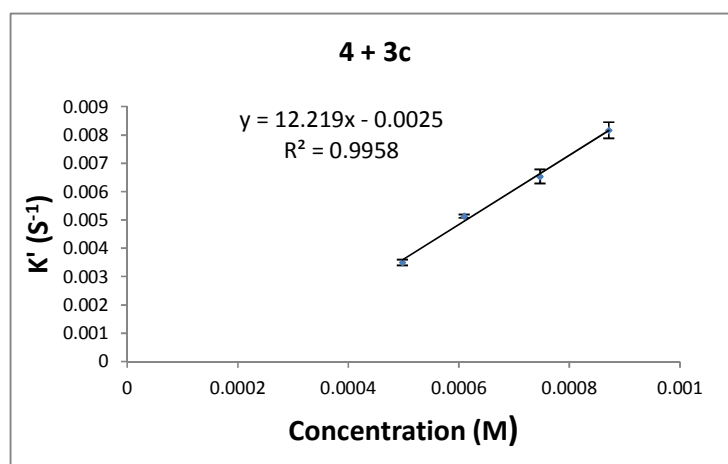


Figure S10, Plot of the obtained k' against the concentration of **4** used. The second order reaction rate constant $k = 12.2 \pm 0.6 \text{ M}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$.

III. NMR spectra

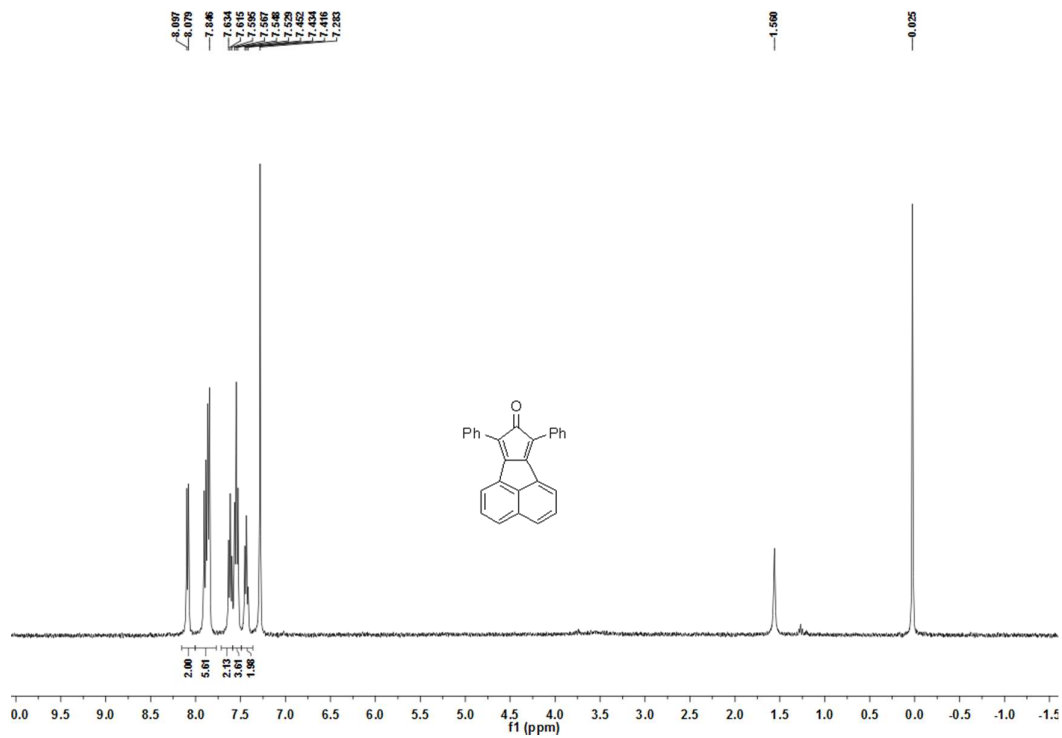


Figure S14. ¹H NMR spectrum for compound 3a

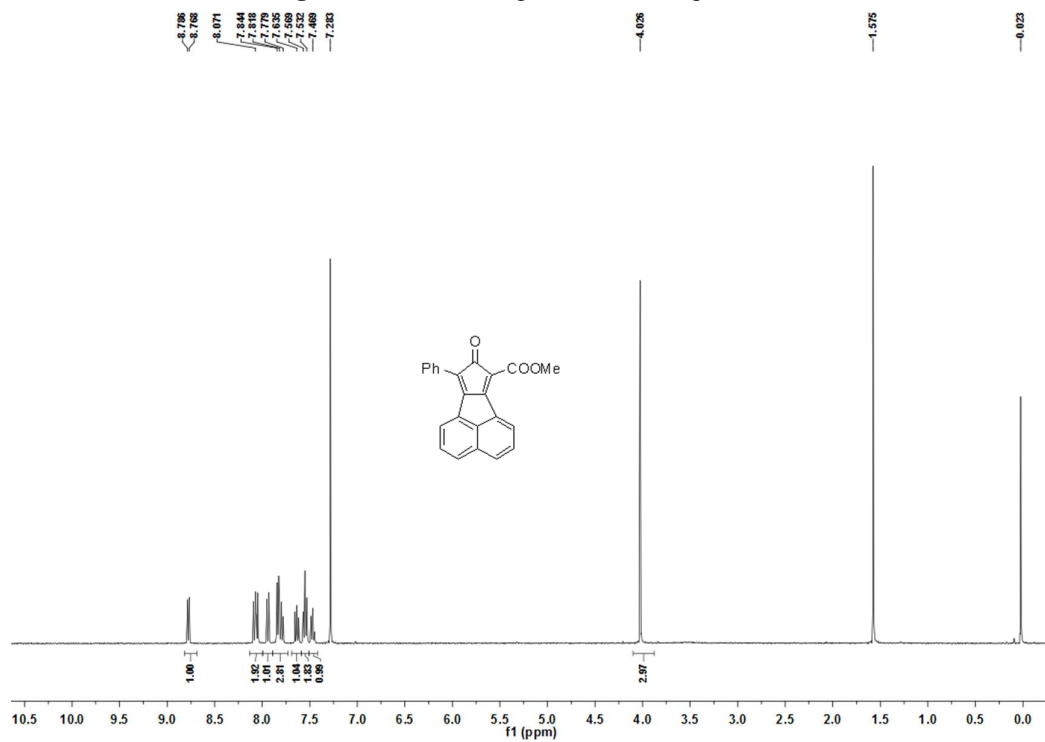
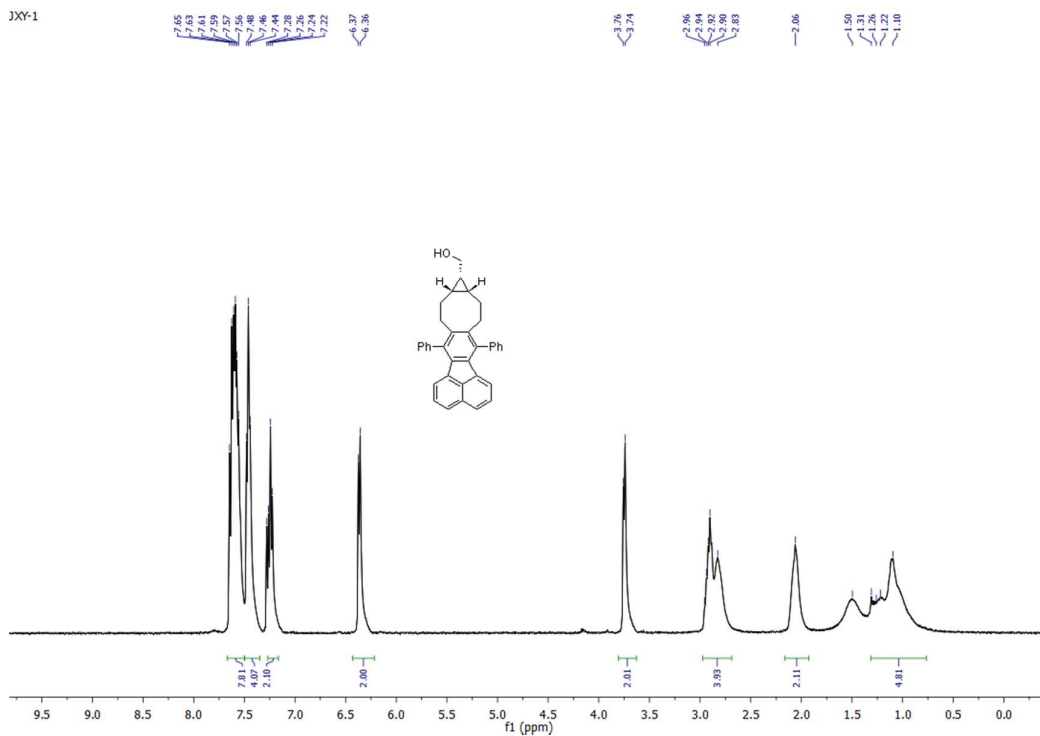
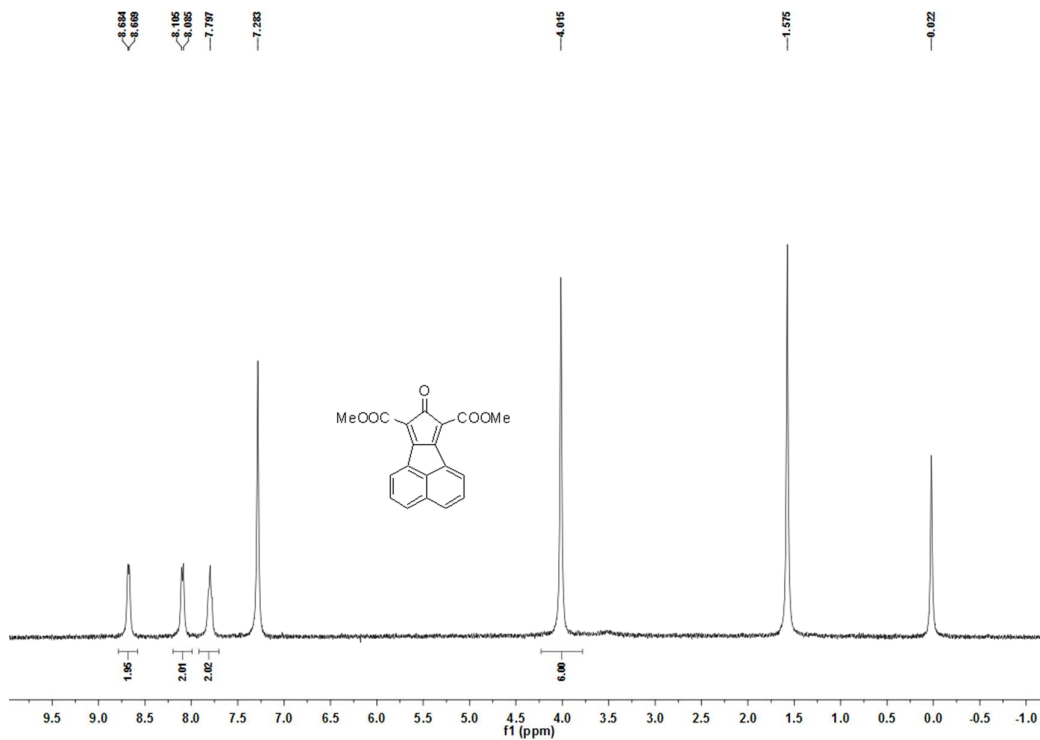


Figure S15. ¹H NMR spectrum for compound 3b



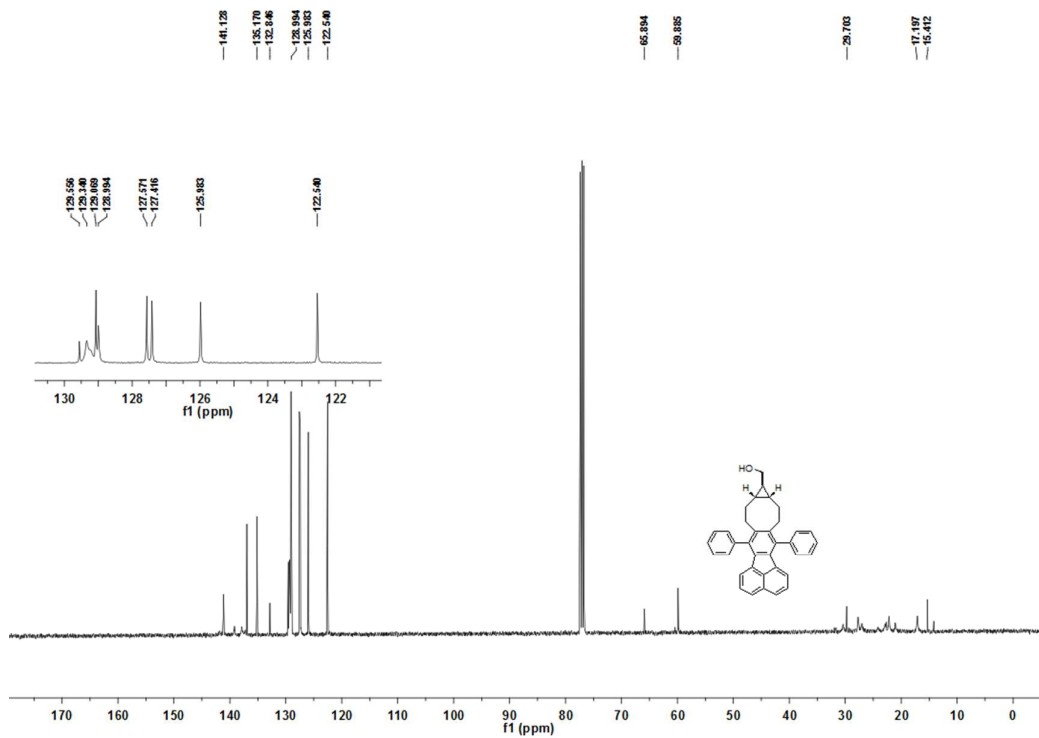


Figure S18. ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 5a

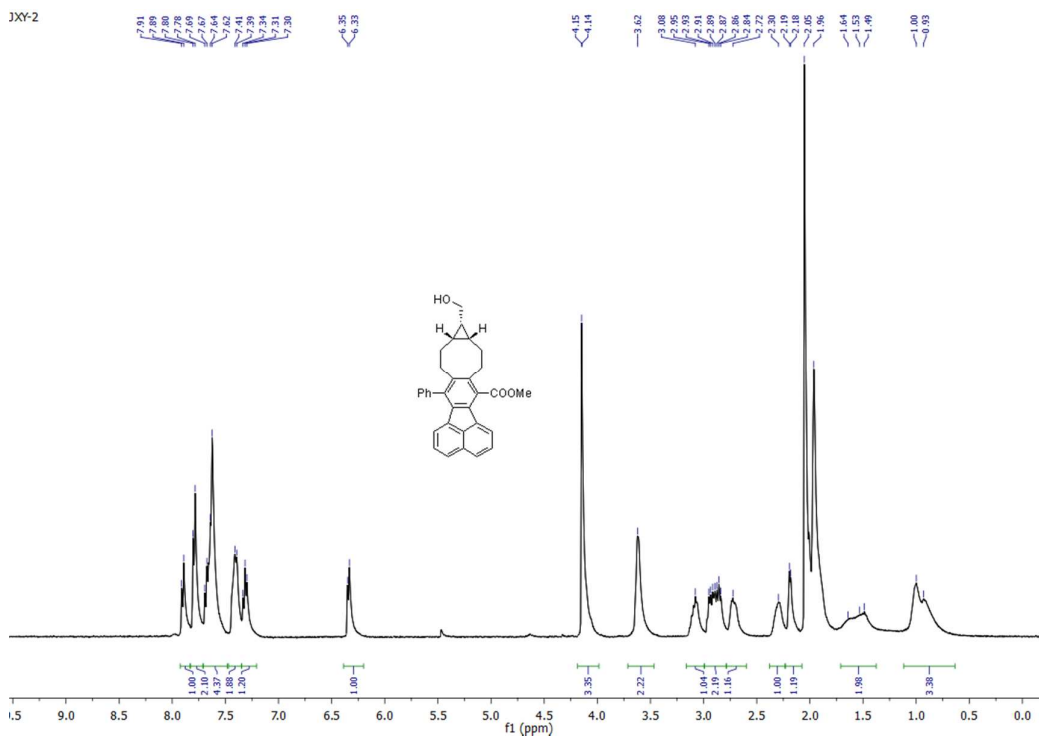


Figure S19. ^1H NMR spectrum for compound 5b in CD_3CN at 60°C

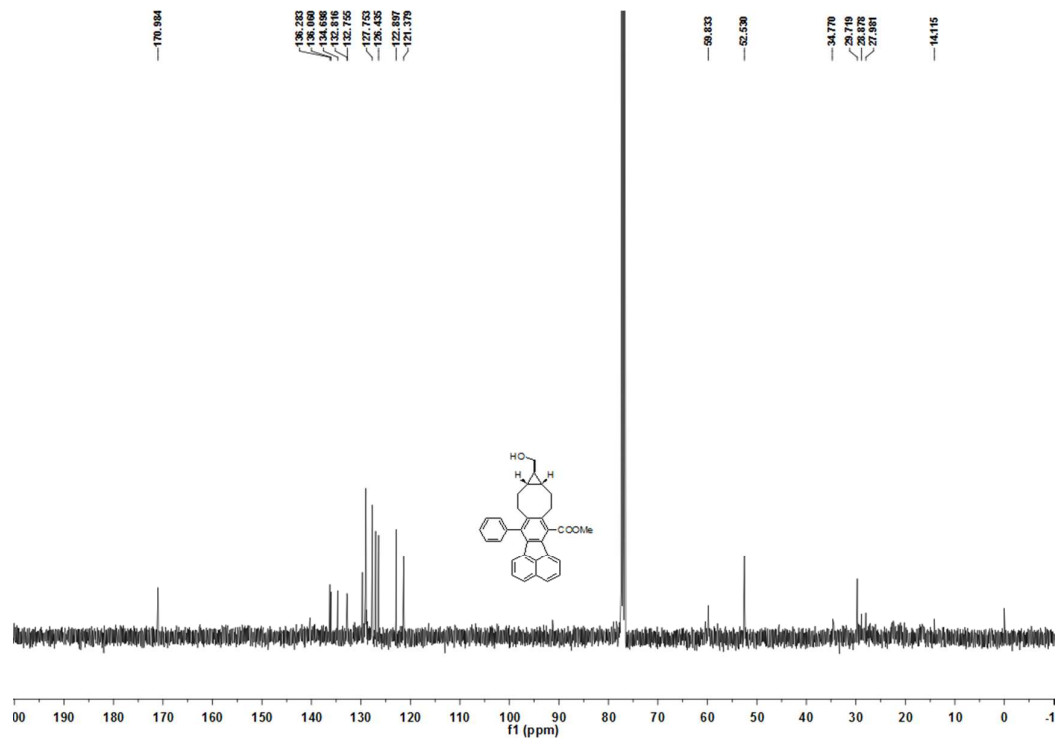


Figure S20. ¹³C NMR spectrum for compound 5b

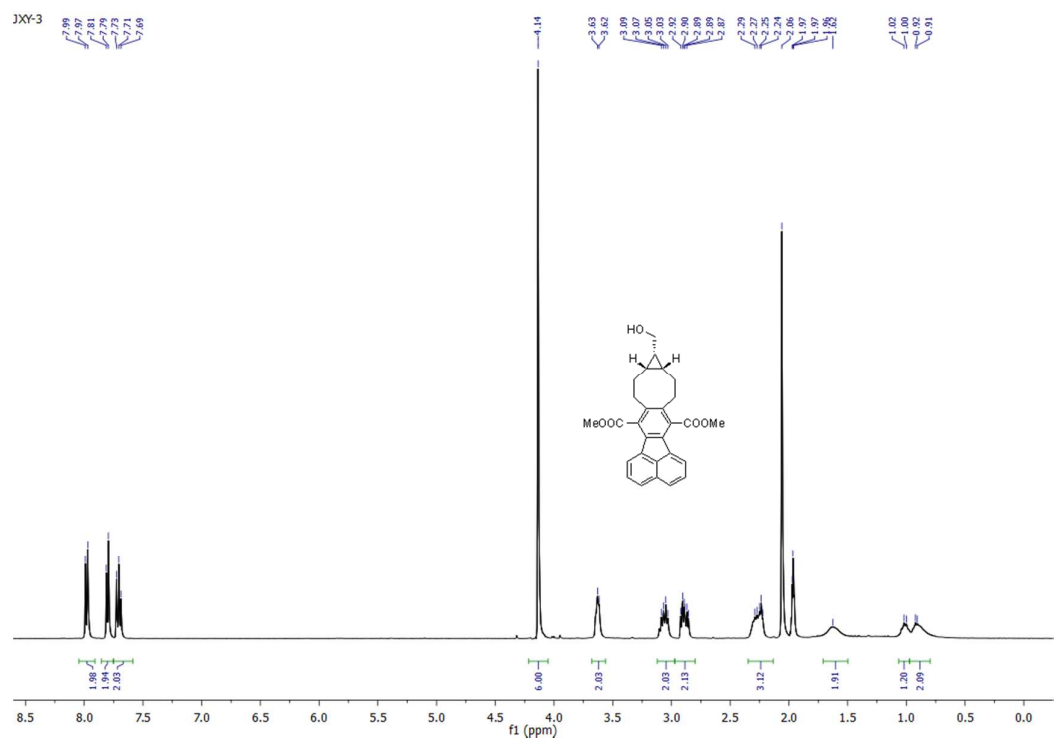


Figure S21. ¹H NMR spectrum for compound 5c in CD₃CN at 60 °C

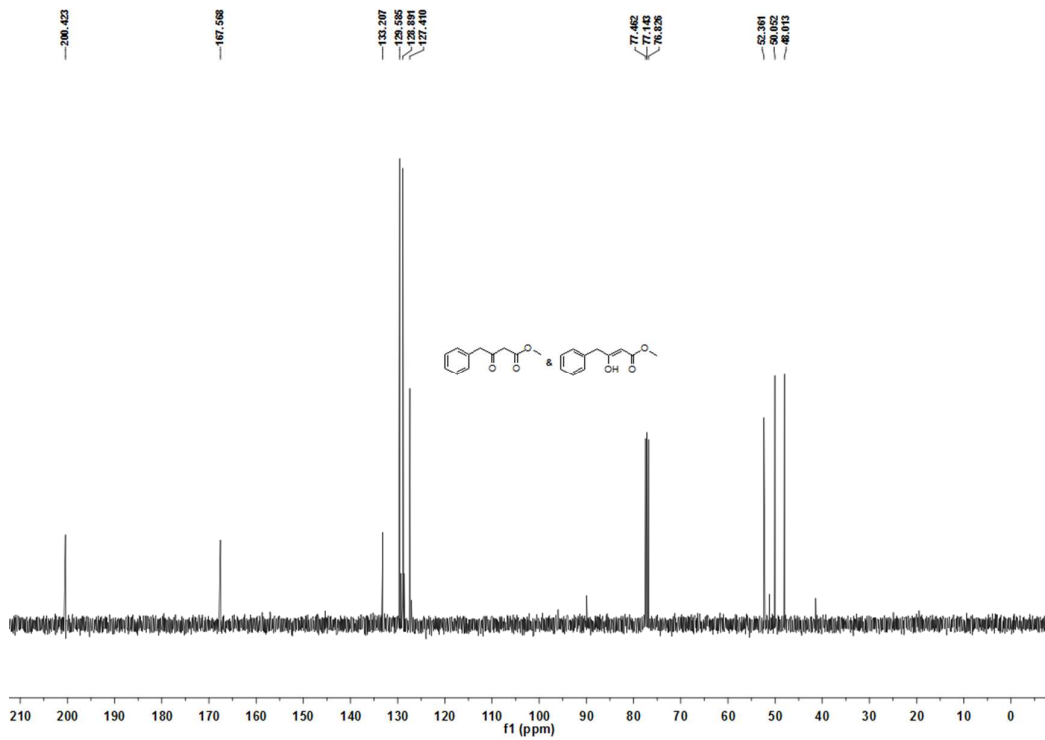


Figure S24. ¹³C NMR spectrum for compound 1b

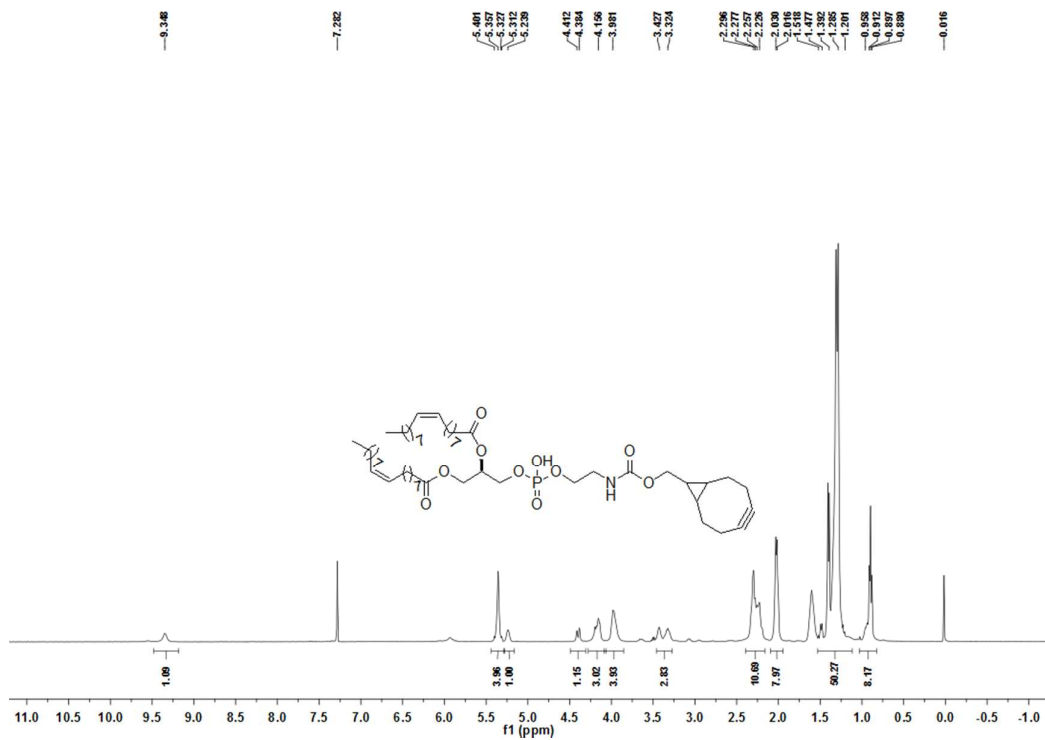


Figure S25. ¹H NMR spectrum for compound 7

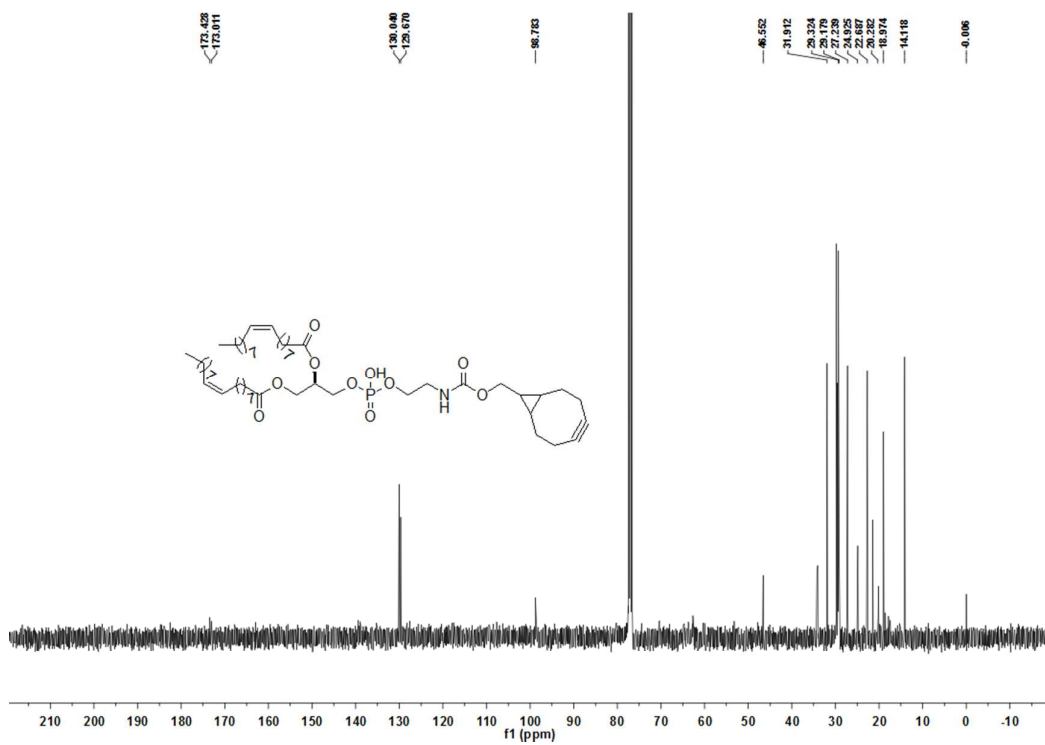


Figure S26. ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 7

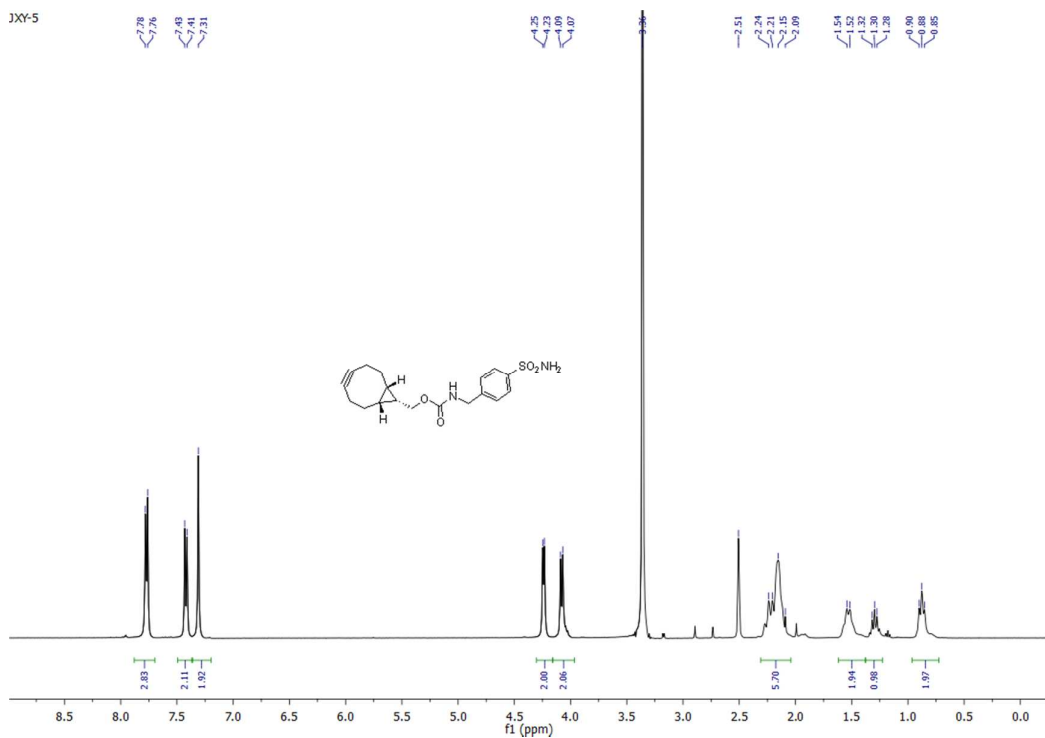


Figure S27. ^1H NMR spectrum for compound 9

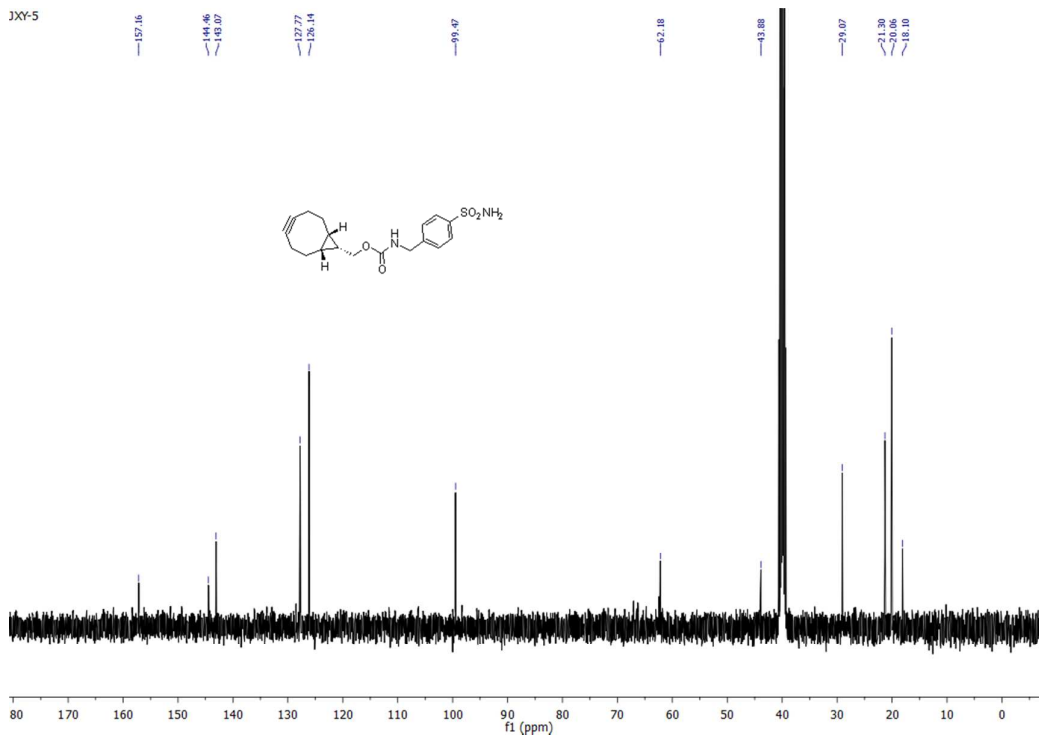


Figure S28. ^{13}C NMR spectrum for compound 9

IV. Computational details

Table S1. Initial Cartesian coordinates (in Å) of structures by b3lyp/6-31g(d,p) method in gas phase.

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